

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete listing of claims in this application.

16. (currently amended) A method for providing for safe sexual relations and reducing HIV transmission facilitated by spermicide-induced vaginal ulcers, comprising applying to sexual organs prior to sexual relations a lubricant composition ~~comprising~~ consisting essentially of:

a) lubricant effective to reduce friction, thereby reducing the rupture of blood vessels during sexual relations,

b) an effective amount of ~~spermicidal antiseptic~~ spermicide active against HIV and other viruses, said ~~antiseptic~~ spermicide destroying the human immunodeficiency virus and other viruses, said ~~antiseptic~~ spermicide immobilizing the sperm and reacting with vaginal mucosa to form a barrier to the penetration of sperm cells into the uterus, said ~~spermicidal antiseptic~~ spermicide also destroying natural flora in the vagina and permitting thereby growth of fungi causing ulceration of the vagina; ~~and~~

c) an effective amount of a fungicide to prevent the growth of the fungi in the vagina which grow in the absence of natural bacterial flora destroyed by the ~~antiseptic~~ spermicide; and

optionally, water, alcohol and flavors;

said composition having no substantial detrimental effect.

17. (currently amended) A ~~composition~~ method according to claim 16, wherein the ~~antiseptic~~ spermicide is chlorhexidine or a salt thereof.

18. (currently amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein the ~~antiseptic~~ spermicide ~~is~~ chlorhexidine or a salt thereof ~~comprises~~ in a concentration of between 0.1% and 5.0% of the lubricant.

19. (currently amended) A method according to claim 17, wherein the ~~antiseptic~~ spermicide is chlorhexidine or a salt thereof ~~comprises~~ in a concentration of between 0.2% and 0.6% of the lubricant.

20. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the chlorhexidine salt is the gluconate or digluconate salt.

21. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant is propylene glycol, glycerin or a mixture thereof.

22. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant comprises between 7% and 21% of the lubricant composition.

23. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the fungicide is methyl paraben.

24. (currently amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the fungicide ~~comprises~~ is present in an amount of between 0.25% and 1.0% of the lubricant composition.

25. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant composition has a pH corresponding to that of the vagina.

26. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant composition further comprises alcohol.

27. (previously presented) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant composition is water soluble.

28. (currently amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant composition ~~comprises~~ consists essentially of:

Chlorhexidine salt	0.1% to 5%
Methylparaben	0.25% to 1.0%
Propylene glycol	2.0% to 6%
Glycerine	5.0% to 15%
CMC or HEC	0.5% to 2.0%
Purified water	to 100%.

29. (currently amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant composition ~~comprises~~ consists essentially of:

Chlorhexidine digluconate	0.2% to 0.6%
Methylparaben	0.25%
Propylene glycol	4.0%
Glycerin	11.0%
HEC	1.25%
Purified water	to 100%.

30. (currently amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the lubricant composition ~~comprises~~ consists essentially of:

Chlorhexidine Gluconate	-	0.50%
Methyl Paraben	-	0.25%
Glycerine	-	11.00%
Propylene Glycol	-	4.00%
Natrosol HHRB	-	1.25%
Deionized Water	-	83.00%.